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SNAPSHOTS AT CELEBRITIES

Henry F. Ashurst, Senator
From Arizona.



Henry F. Ashurst, who will represent the new state of Arizona in the United States senate, is a Democrat in politics and was chosen at the recent state election by popular vote. His election must be ratified by the state legislature, but that is a mere matter of form, the Democrats being in control. Unlike his colleague, Marcus A. Smith, Mr. Ashurst will be a stranger at the national capital, his political activities having heretofore been confined to the affairs of the newly made state.

A native of Nevada, thirty-six years old, Mr. Ashurst has lived nearly all his life in Arizona. At the age of fifteen he was a cowboy and at nineteen was deputy sheriff of Coconino county. Subsequently he worked as a hooch carrier and lumberjack, taking up the study of law in 1895. Four years later he was admitted to the bar. He served three terms in the territorial legislature and in 1899, at the age of twenty-four, was elected speaker of the house. He also served as a member of the territorial council and was twice elected district attorney of Coconino county. Mr. Ashurst's home is in Prescott, where he has a lucrative law practice.

Jack Was on Senator Cummins. Senator Brown of Nebraska addressed an Iowa multitude at a political meeting last summer and jabbed a little quiet comedy at Senator Cummins. "I hope you'll pardon me," he said to the crowd, "if I talk a little longer than you think I ought to. It isn't often that I get a chance to talk. At home I have a wife and two daughters, and in the senate—well, you know there's a certain senator from Iowa, and—" The crowd caught it right off the bat and yelled.

Uncle Sam's Chief Navigator. Commander Philip Andrews, U. S. N., who became chief of the bureau of navigation on Jan. 1, has been naval aid to Secretary Meyer since October, 1909. He succeeded Rear Admiral Nicholson, who will take command of the Asiatic fleet. The appointment of a commander to so high a position is regarded as another example of Mr. Meyer's policy of putting young men in important places in the navy when their efficiency warrants it. Previously he had appointed Hetch I. Cone, with the rank of lieutenant command-



COMMANDER PHILIP ANDREWS.
er, engineer in chief of the navy and Commander Nathan C. Twining, chief of the bureau of ordnance. The work of these officers has justified Secretary Meyer's selection.

Commander Andrews is a native of New York and was appointed to the naval service from New Jersey in 1882. Since he was selected naval aid to the secretary of the navy he has been in close touch with all matters of importance in his office and has absorbed Secretary Meyer's reorganization plans.

MR. AND MRS. A. G. VANDERBILT

Their New York Apartment is the Most Luxurious Ever Designed.

When Alfred Gwynne Vanderbilt and his bride, who was Mrs. Smith Hollins McKim, return to New York from London in the spring they will make their home in the most luxurious apartment ever designed as a private home. It will consist of the two top floors of the new Vanderbilt hotel, Park avenue and Thirty-fourth street, which Mr. Vanderbilt owns. It has been estimated



ed that similar accommodations, reckoned upon a floor space basis, would cost approximately \$40,000 a year, not including meals.

The main dining hall is two stories in height and occupies the space of four rooms. It can be altered by a special arrangement of doors to make either a small informal dining room or a large room for elaborate dinners. Bedrooms, breakfast room and tea room are from two to four times the size of ordinary rooms of similar character.

From the windows eastward in clear view can be seen the buildings of Coney Island and even the sea beyond, while to the west one can see far beyond the Hudson.

Mr. Vanderbilt's father, Cornelius Vanderbilt, left an estate estimated at \$200,000,000. Alfred Gwynne Vanderbilt received more than \$100,000,000 when the division of the property came in 1898. Cornelius Vanderbilt, the eldest son, received only \$1,000,000 in the will, but Alfred Gwynne Vanderbilt transferred to his brother \$5,000,000 to equalize the fortune of Cornelius with the other brothers and sisters.

Mrs. Vanderbilt, before her marriage to Dr. McKim, was Miss Margaret Emerson, a daughter of Colonel Isaac F. Emerson of Baltimore, and was popular in Baltimore, Washington, New York and Newport.

LADY LITTLE.

She is Nineteen Years Old and Only Twenty-three Inches Tall.

Lady Little, nineteen years old and only twenty-three inches tall, is one of the sensations of London. She is believed to be the smallest woman who has ever lived.

At a novel surprise party given recently by Sir Edward Moss two waiters carried a pie to the place of honor. When the pie was opened the midges,



like a live doll, stepped out, clad in a smart green velvet walking costume and toques.

She tripped among the wineglasses and coffee cups and sang songs. The little lady's jewels are said to be valued at more than \$100,000 sterling.

Dangers of Boating.

Clara—When George and I are married I'm to have my own way in everything.

Dora—Guess you won't.

Clara—Indeed I will. That's the bargain. Don't you remember I told you he proposed to me in a rowboat and asked if I'd float through life with him just that way?

"Yes."

"Well, he was rowing, but I was steering."—New York Weekly.

The Letters of Horace

Rare Ben Jonson's tribute to Horace is used, appropriately enough, at the beginning of a recently published book containing letters of the Latin poet "presented to modern readers." "Such," wrote Jonson in his "Discoveries," "was Horace, an author of much civility, and (if any one among the heathen can be) the best master, both of virtues and wisdom; an excellent and true judge upon cause and reason; not because he thought so, but because he knew so, out of use and experience. The volume is a companion to "Horace for Modern Readers," put forth some two years ago by the same editors, John Cotton Dana, librarian of the Newark Library, and his brother, Dr. Charles Loomis Dana, of New York. It includes more than half of the Epistles.

The editors of course would be voted hopelessly old-fashioned by such deep thinkers as R. T. Crane and other foes of the classics. They actually have the temerity to announce their belief that readers of the present day can find something worth while in Horace, and they commend Horace's letters as revealing his personality and his philosophy of life. They have sought to present a number of these letters in a form of interest to the modern public. "This does not mean," they explain, "that we have tried to put the text into superior English, or to adorn and uplift it with the devices of literary art. This is not needed in order to make a letter of Horace's readable and understandable. The effort rather has been to give the facts regarding the personality of the people to whom the writings are addressed, to tell of the time and occasion of writing and supply the local, historical and mythological references, also to keep the thread of the story and show the connection of the reasoning."

The editorial work has been well done, and the translations are praiseworthy.

A special feature of the book, and a valuable feature, is its illustration. There are reproductions of nine of the copperplate engravings made by Otto Varnius about 1500, to illustrate the apothegms of Horace, and, in addition, eight half tones, from photographs taken for the volume, show the region of the Sabine Farm.

In their introduction, the editors write of the Sabine region, a sketch map of the country accompanying this portion of the text. In connection with recent investigations in that region, it is of interest to know that, in the summer of 1910, the editors "obtained the services of Signor Loescher, of Rome, who sent a photographer to the Sabine valley. He uncovered and photographed the long buried mosaic pavement of the supposed villa of Horace, and obtained other views of the more familiar points." These pictures are the halftones to which reference has been made.

The book is tastefully printed and bound.

Telephone Talks and Law suits. Telephone conversation is likely to play an important part in lawsuits and criminal action at law with the perfecting of an apparatus by Professor P. Perotti, by means of which a permanent record can be kept of the words spoken over the telephone. Professor Perotti's telephone receiver is composed of two loud speaking telephones. One of these is furnished with the usual mouthpiece, the other is connected with the vibrating membrane of a Pathe phonograph. The phonograph record can be made to reproduce the speech in the usual manner.

Belgian State Railways. Belgium enjoys the distinction of having been the first continental nation to establish a railway. The pioneer line between Malines and Brussels was opened in 1835, and now, out of a total of 2,800 miles of track in the country, the state is the owner of 2,530 miles, its system, proportionately to area, being the largest in the world. The Belgian government also maintains its own steamship service between Dover and Ostend, and its fleet has always included the fastest channel steamships.—Railway Magazine.

Monster Spider Web of Ropes. The largest spider web in the world was spun by a spider, but by human hands. It stands on the lawn of a Chicago man's country home. The creator of this oddity conceived the idea of attempting to see how nearly an actual spider's web could be reproduced with ropes. Selecting two immense trees on the lawn of his home, he spun between them this spider's web, 40 by 60 feet, which is so strong that a man may easily climb to the center or top of it.—Milwaukee Journal.

A Lee Memorial. The Baltimore Sun reports that a plan to purchase the Baltimore home of General Robert E. Lee as a memorial to him and to the women of the south is meeting with popular support. Speaker Champ Clark has written a letter to Dr. H. M. Wharton, who is lending the movement, commending it highly. Ex-President Roosevelt says that he "approves the project and would like to take part in any memorial to General Lee." The Sun says the success of the plans seems assured.

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The Beggar Man.

I met a beggar man once on the road.
"God pity you, man," says I.
"An' why would you pity myself," says he,
"With the sun up there in the sky?
If it's nothing but holes I have in my purse
There's many a one that's traveling worse.
It's money they say, is the devil's own curse,
An' well it knows how to fly."

"There's gold for all on the globe," says he;
"There's gold where buttercups grow.
I've all the roads of the world at my feet
When I'm choosing the way I'll go.
The roof of my house is a wonderful sight,
And it's shining with stars the livelong night."

With the moon herself to be lending a light.
Is it pity I'm asking so?"
He shook my hand at the butt of the hill.
"God pity you, man," says he,
"For it's toll an' trouble you have itself.
That's all you need to see.
But here I stand with a beggar man's share,
The sun thrown in an' the wind when it's fair,
An' with never a wife or child for my care,
Och, pity yourself!" says he.

—Fall Mail Gazette.

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Catholic—Rev. H. J. Maillet, pastor. Mass at 11 a. m.; evening service at 7.30.

Services will be held the second and fourth Sunday of each month at Village hall, Quebec, at 9 o'clock, and at Barnard, at the town hall, on the second Sunday of each month at 9 o'clock.

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Estate of Thomas Sykes.

STATE OF VERMONT.
District of Hartford, ss.
The Honorable Probate Court for the District aforesaid:

To all persons interested in the Estate of Thomas Sykes, late of Philadelphia, in the State of Pennsylvania, deceased, leaving Estate in this District:

Greeting:
At a Probate Court holden at Woodstock, within and for said District, on the 30th day of November, an authenticated copy of the last will and testament and the Probate thereof of Thomas Sykes, late of Philadelphia, in the County of Philadelphia, in the State of Pennsylvania, deceased, leaving estate in said district, duly proved, allowed and established in the Orphans' Court for the County and State aforesaid, was presented to the Court here, that the same instrument may be allowed in this State as the last will and testament of the said decedent, and that the said copy may be filed and recorded in the Probate Court for the District of Hartford aforesaid, agreeable to the statute in such cases made and provided:

And it is ordered by said Court that the 15th day of December, at the Probate Office in said Woodstock, be assigned for all persons interested to appear and contest the allowance of such instrument, and the filing and recording of the copy of said will, and the Probate thereof, as aforesaid, if they see cause; and that notice thereof be given by publishing this order three weeks successively in the Spirit of the Age, a weekly newspaper published in said District, previous to the time appointed.

Therefore, you are hereby notified to appear before said Court, at the time and place aforesaid, and to contest the allowance of the said instrument and the filing and recording of the copy of said will and the probate thereof, as aforesaid, if you have cause.

Given under my hand at Woodstock, in said district, this 30th day of November, 1911.

T. O. Seaver, Judge.

Seventeen countries were named in the parental nativity of the 279 children born in Barre in 1911. American mothers numbering 106, Italian 74, while 27 children were born to Scotch mothers.